NORTH LANCASHIRE BRIDLEWAYS SOCIETY

Minutes of the general meeting held on 12 January 2016

- 1. **Welcome and new members:** There were no new members this month.
- 2. **Apologies:** Susan Armitage, June Chapman, Sue Clowes, Glenda Griffin, Sheila Kissack, Anna Twiname.
- 3. **Minutes of Last Meeting** were confirmed as a true and accurate record. Proposed by Julie Sico, seconded by Ann Rigby.
- 4. Matters Arising: None
- 5. **Mount Pleasant Lane, Bolton le Sands** The Definitive Map Modification Order is due to be considered at the Council meeting on 14 January 2016.
- 6. **Christmas meal Friday 22 January 2016 –** Sheila had once again organised the Christmas meal which will be held at The Smithy Inn, Holme. Full payment was collected at meeting.
- 7. **Books for loan -** The scheme has not been as successful as hoped therefore could you please return any books and a decision will be made on how to wind up the scheme.
- 8. **Used stamps for Bransby Horses Welfare and Rescue** please bring along any used postage stamps to the next meeting and Eve will send them to Bransby Horses Rescue and Welfare to help with their funds.
- 9. Whittington Races 2016 The event has been cancelled due to this winter's flood damage.
- 10. **NLBS Fundraising Ride Saturday 23 April 2016** This will be held in the Dolphinholme area. The ride is being held on a Saturday as there is clay pigeon shooting in the area on a Sunday. Volunteers needed for gates etc. Further information to follow.
- 11. **Hedge Trimmer** Nick is continuing the clearance of the bridleway which was started in September. The hedge trimmer is proving invaluable and Eve proposed the group should pay for the fuel needed to run the trimmer. A show of hands was taken at the meeting with the majority in favour.

12. Any other business:

- (i) **6.30 pm 25 January 2016 Myerscough College** *Are you and your dog fit for the new season*? Seminar on how your dog works physically. Rules of the body. Signs and signals to look out for to prevent injury for the both dog and handler. Correct ways to warm up you and your dog and how to warm down. Further information and to book a place contact Donna Griffiths email: donna.griffiths@gmail.com
- (ii) **NLBS website** the website is being updated. If you have any views/suggestions on content please contact Frances at <u>f.clisham@btinternet.com</u>

Adey, dog handler with Lancashire Police Dog Unit attended the meeting to tell us about the work the Unit undertakes, he also brought along one of his dogs to demonstrate how efficient the dogs are at finding hidden items.

Next meeting: Tuesday, 8 March 2016 Hest Bank Memorial Hall, LA2 6JB

Speaker: Ron Black – Fell Ponies in Victorian times

Please come along and bring a friend